

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IOWA NETWORK SERVICES, INC.	DOCKET NO. SPU-03-4
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ORDER APPROVING DISCONNECTION

(Issued July 17, 2003)

On June 6, 2003, Iowa Network Services, Inc. (INS), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a pleading described as an “appeal” of the Board’s May 23, 2003, order in this docket, as well as a request for immediate disconnection of S&S Communications (S&S) from access service. In support of its request, INS stated that S&S’s account with INS was again past due in excess of \$2,000. INS stated that it has been unsuccessful in its attempts to contact S&S to resolve this arrearage. INS also stated that it has sent a notice of disconnection to S&S, but believed that S&S is no longer providing service.

On June 12, 2003, the Board issued an order denying the request for appeal. In that order, the Board required that S&S respond to the allegations raised by INS in its June 6, 2003, filing within five days of the issuance of the order. To date, S&S has not responded to INS’s assertions. Board staff attempted to contact S&S to inquire about the status of service by S&S to Iowa customers and was informed that S&S was no longer providing service to Iowa customers.

The Board finds that S&S has failed to respond to INS's allegations. Moreover, there does not appear to be any Iowa customers which will be adversely affected by a disconnection of S&S by INS. Therefore, the Board will approve the immediate disconnection of S&S by INS.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The request to disconnect S&S Communications from access service filed by Iowa Network Services, Inc., on June 6, 2003, is granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 17th day of July, 2003.